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RESPONSE

This reply is filed in response to an Office Action mailed June 11, 2003, for which a response is due on September 11, 2003. Enclosed under separate cover is a Petition from Requirement for Restriction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.144 (2003). Applicants herein request cancellation of Claim 30 and reconsideration of the Requirement for Restriction.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

In an Office Action mailed November 6, 2002, the Examiner required the Applicants to elect one of the following three groups:

- I. Claims 8-9, 13-15 and 1-7, in part, drawn to compounds, Claim 28, in part, drawn to compositions, Claims 29-30, in part, drawn to methods of treatment, and Claim 31, in

